



## Inspection Report

The George Washington University  
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Anml Res Fac., Ross B-12  
Washington, DC 20037

Customer ID: **70**

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Site: 001

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

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### 2.31 (c) (4)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

\*\*\*The corrective action plan for an adverse event that occurred on January 22, 2014, included a change in the process for sexing hamsters at weaning. The IACUC review of the adverse event did not include a verification that formal training of the change in process had occurred. Additionally, there is no formal written document of the new procedure. The IACUC must verify that a corrective action plan as a result of an adverse event has been implemented to ensure there is no repeat of the adverse event. The IACUC must ensure that the new process for sexing hamsters is in writing, either by protocol amendment or an SOP, and that all pertinent personnel have received the required training. Correct by March 20, 2015

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#### PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS.

\*\*\*On January 22, 2014 five hamster pups were found dead or morbid in a cage containing two males and one female. The female hamster was missexed and her pregnancy was undetected. The husbandry and research staff failed to properly identify the sex of the female hamster. A new process for ensuring hamsters are properly sexed at weaning was established but not formally written. Changes in procedures should be documented in writing and formal training provided to all pertinent personnel. The research and husbandry staff must receive training on the new process for sexing hamsters. Additionally, the training should be documented to ensure all personnel are aware of the new process. Correct by March 20, 2015

An exit briefing was conducted with the facility representatives.

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